

WEBINAR SERIES ON INNOVATIVE PRACTICES AND RESEARCH IN EDUCATION IN PRISON

Landscape of Higher Education in Prison: knowledge and experience in the U.S. context



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Panel proposed by The Alliance for Higher Education and The Bard Prison Initiative (U.S)

Summary of the Webinar

The Alliance for Higher Education in Prison is a national organization focused on supporting the field of higher education in prison. Working with their partners at the University of Utah and University of California, Berkeley, they conduct an annual survey to collect and publish data about U.S. colleges/universities offering higher education in prison. The Bard Prison initiative (BPI) from the Bard College extends the full breadth and depth of the Bard College liberal arts curriculum into six New York State prisons. Both organizations work on the development of higher education in prisons from a practical and a theoretical point of view.

In this presentation, Dr.'s Erin Castro (University of Utah) and Mary Gould (Alliance for Higher Education in Prison) will contextualize why data collection at the national level is paramount to advancing equity and inclusion in higher education in prison and will provide an overview of the research being conducted. Megan Callaghan and James Kim from the BPI will present the experience and programs of the Bard Prison Initiative and their evolution over the last 20 years. The panelist will also discuss how this research programs and practical initiatives can mobilize collective expertise, resources and networks in ways that foster pathways and pipelines to college for historically excluded students.

Programme

Welcome and opening address

UNESCO Chair of Applied Research for Education in Prison

Moderator

Jessica Neptune, Director of National Engagement, Bard Prison Initiative

Presentations and discussion

Dr. Erin Castro, Associate Professor of Higher Education, University of Utah and Co-founder and Co-Director, University of Utah Prison Education Project

Dr. Mary Gould, Director, Alliance for Higher Education in Prison and Associate Professor of Communication, Saint Louis University

Megan Callaghan, Dean for Bard Prison Initiative

James Kim, Bard Prison Initiative alumnus and Learning Commons Lead & Student Recruitment Specialist for the Bard Microcollege at Brooklyn Public Library